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SUBJECT: HOSPITAL STRIKE

REF: MANAGUA 3279, STATE 156285

1. ALL SECTORS OF HOSPITAL PERSONNEL IN NICARAGUA WHO HAD BEEN OUT ON STRIKE OVER THE PAST MONTH--INTERNS, RESIDENTS, NURSES, NURSES AIDES AND AUXILLARY WORKERS--HAVE RETURNED TO WORK AND THE HOSPITAL SITUATION HAS RETURNED TO NORMAL THIS WEEK. LOCAL HOSPITAL BOARDS IN THE OTHER SIX HOSPITALS HIT BY THE STRIKE OUTSIDE MANAGUA SIGNED AGREEMENTS WITH THEIR WORKERS ON TERMS SIMILAR TO THOSE REACHED IN MANAGUA. ALL AGREEMENTS INCLUDE GENERAL COMMITMENTS BY THE HOSPITAL BOARDS TO IMPROVE THE STANDARD OF HEALTH CARE.

2. IN THE FINAL DISCUSSIONS TO SETTLE THE STRIKE BY MANAGUA'S INTERNS AND RESIDENTS FROM WHICH THE GENERAL

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HOSPITAL STRIKE SNOWBALLED, GENERAL SOMOZA'S UNCLE,

LUIS MANUEL DEBAYLE, THE PRESIDENT OF NICARAGUA'S POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY AND HIMSELF A PHYSICIAN, ACTED AS MEDIATOR APPARENTLY TO VERY GOOD EFFECT. THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED IN HIS OFFICE THE EVENING OF JULY 31. IN THIS AGREEMENT ALONG WITH OTHER BENEFITS THE INTERNS' MONTHLY STIPENDS WERE INCREASED FROM C\$550.00 TO C\$800.00. THE RESIDENTS ALSO RECEIVED GENEROUS TERMS (DETAILS TO FOLLOW IN AIRGRAM).

3. THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISED EMBASSY OFFICER AUGUST 9 THAT AGREEMENT REACHED WITH MINISTRY'S PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES WHO WILL RECEIVE THIRTY PERCENT SALARY INCREASES, THUS GIVING THEM BENEFITS COMMENSURATE WITH THOSE GAINED BY NURSES WORKING IN JNAPS AND INSS HOSPITALS. BEFORE THEY WOULD SETTLE THE NATIONAL NURSES' GROUP HAD DEMANDED AND RECEIVED A COMMITMENT THAT THEIR PUBLIC HEALTH COLLEAGUES WOULD GET EQUAL TREATMENT.  
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